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| Intervention | **093. Endoscopic sinus surgery for chronic rhinosinusitis** |
| For the treatment of | Chronic rhinosinusitis (CRS) |
| Commissioning Position | This intervention is only commissioned if the following criteria have been met:   * Moderate/severe symptoms (assessed using Sinonasal Outcome Test (SNOT-22)) persist after at least 3 months of conservative treatment (in accordance with the ENT UK guidance) in Primary Care * Alternative diagnoses than CRS are considered to have been excluded by the specialist * Lund Mackay (LM) score of CT imaging is >4 |
| Summary of Rationale | Conservative treatment is effective for many people with Chronic rhinosinusitis.  CT scan is mandatory before surgery but does not require repeating if performed earlier in the pathway. If LM score is <4 alternative diagnosis should be considered, and endoscopic sinus surgery is not usually indicated. |
| References | [EBI Surgical intervention for chronic rhinosinusitis (AOMRC)](https://ebi.aomrc.org.uk/interventions/surgical-intervention-for-chronic-rhinosinusitis/)  [Rhinosinusitis commissioning guide (ENT UK)](https://www.entuk.org/_userfiles/pages/files/guidelines/Rhinosinusitis%20commissioning%20guide%20%20for%20REPUBLICATION(1).pdf)  [European Position Paper on Rhinosinusitis and Nasal Polyps 2020](https://www.rhinologyjournal.com/Documents/Supplements/supplement_29.pdf) |
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